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AGREEMENT. POLAND NEXT

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1. THE FRG AND HUNGARY INITIALLED A 10 YEAR LONG TERM
ECONOMIC, TECHNICAL AND INDUSTRIAL AGREEMENT
ON SEPTEMBER 3RD. FRG FOREIGN OFFICE OFFICIALS SAY
THE EC COMMISSION HAS NO PROBLEMS WITH THE AGREEMENT.
THE PREVIOUS CONTROVERSY OVER "TRADE RELATED"
LANGUAGE (PARA 3 OF REFTEL A) HAS BEEN RESOLVED BY AN
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FRG INTERPRETATION WHICH AVOIDS THE MFN ISSUE. WE

DO NOT YET HAVE A COPY OF THIS AGREEMENT.

2. NEGOTIATIONS WITH POLAND OVER A SIMILAR AGREEMENT ARE SCHEDULED WITHIN THE NEXT FEW WEEKS (REFTEL C). BESIDES THE USUAL DISPUTE OVER "TRADE LANGUAGE", THE POLES HAVE OBJECTED TO THE FRG INCLUSION OF A CONSULTATION CLAUSE. FRG OFFICIALS TELL US THIS CLAUSE IS MANDATORY SINCE OBLIGATIONS LEVIED BY THE EC IN THE FUTURE MIGHT REQUIRE CHANGES IN THE FRG-POLAND AGREEMENT AND THERE HAD TO BE A WAY TO ATTEMPT TO AMEND THE AGREEMENT. THE FRG OFFICIAL SEEMED OPTIMISTIC THAT THESE TECHNICAL PROBLEMS CAN BE OVERCOME BUT ARE HESITANT TO PREDICT SIGNATURE IN VIEW OF THE SUBSTANTIAL INTERRELATED POLITICAL QUESTIONS THAT REMAIN UNRESOLVED
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